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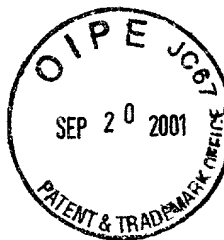
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Case No. 659-700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Fell, et al.

Serial No.: 09/855,182

Filed: May 14, 2001

For: ABSORBENT GARMENT
WITH EXPANDABLE
ABSORBENT ELEMENT

Attention: Manager,
Application Branch

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
FILING DATE GRANTED**

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Attn.: Box Missing Parts

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated July 16, 2001, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:

- ☒ Fully executed Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney for the above-referenced patent application.

- ☒ Applicant is:
- ☐ a small entity, verified statement is:
- ☐ attached
- ☐ already filed
- ☒ other than small entity
- ☒ Check totaling \$1744.00 for:
- ☒ Filing Fee of \$710.00.
- ☒ Surcharge of \$130.00.
- ☒ Additional Claim Fees of \$904.00.
- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)) to file missing parts (in duplicate).
- ☒ Submission of Formal Drawings.
- ☒ Eight (8) formal drawing sheets.
- ☒ Return receipt postcard.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: _____

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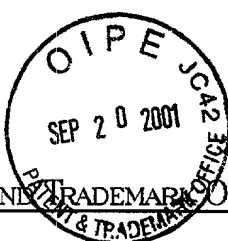
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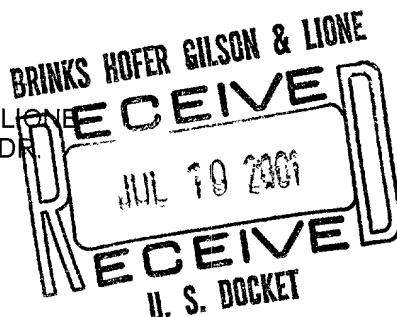
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$904.
 - \$504 for 28 total claims over 20.
 - \$400 for 5 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1744.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



PATENT
Case No. 659-700

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Fell, et al.) Examiner: Not Assigned
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Serial No: 09/855,182)
) Group Art No: 3761
Filed: May 14, 2001)
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For: ABSORBENT GARMENT WITH)
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SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Commissioner For Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application,
Applicants submit herewith eight (8) sheets of formal drawings. The drawings have

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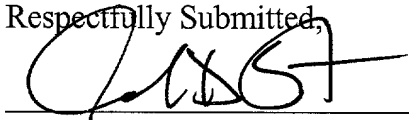
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been formalized to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R 1.84. Any questions about this communication should be directed to the undersigned attorney.

Dated: September 17 2001

By:

Respectfully Submitted,



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